

TOWN OF AMENIA
Town Board Special Meeting
Wednesday, June 5, 2013
Amenia Town Hall

Councilwoman Riemer moved to call the meeting to order at 8:33am, seconded by C/Perotti

Salute to the flag was conducted followed by a moment of silence. The emergency exits were pointed out.

Roll Call

Councilwoman Darlene Riemer	Aye
Councilwoman Victoria Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Vicki Doyle	arrived at 8:42
Councilwoman Gretchen Hitselberger	absent
Supervisor William Flood	Aye
also present:	
Dawn Marie Klingner, Town Clerk	
Mike Hagerty, Grant Writer	

Discussion

Main Street Grant:

Peter Karis, Taconic Site Design & Landscape Architecture presented copies of two maps that show the location of the trees to be planted as recommended by the enhancement committee. Mr. Karis said that the map is the current plan/bid specs and will need to eliminate some of the trees because of the DOT issues and different locations are to be selected. After the meeting they will walk Main Street. Mr. Karis will work on locating a path to place improvements (without the need of a DOT permit) and work with the private owners to obtain the Property Declaration Form. Also suggested was a bench, planter and pavers (a sample picture was shown from Hyde Park). This development would cost approximately four thousand dollars. C/Riemer suggested the focus to be vegetation at this time. Although all agreed that at least one planter or bench would be great and it will be the example for future fund raising. S/Flood expressed a concern with maintenance, and Mr. Karis recommended that the selection of trees should be of those with minimal care and the bid could include that tree gators be used. Contract agreement for Mr. Karis' services has been signed by Mr. Karis and S/Flood.

Collette Maas and Mike Hagerty discussed with the Board the financing of the project. An email was circulated prior to the meeting, but none of the Board members have had the opportunity to review the proposed changes from Ms. Maas. She will be providing her own financing. An option of the Town financing the project on a short term loan was discussed. S/Flood will speak to the Bank of Millbrook once M. Hagerty gives him the final numbers. C/Doyle was concerned with the idea of submitting monthly submissions rather than two for the life of the project as discussed at a prior meeting, where it was said that one claim be submitted when fifty percent is complete and the other upon final completion. M. Hagerty will contact the grant manager and ask if the monthly submission of receipts is permitted. The scope of work, the contractor's estimates and the contract needs to be finalized and submitted (today if at all possible). M. Haggerty will see that the revisions are submitted to the attorney and to Erin Kinne (Grant Manager) to ensure acceptance. All parties present agreed to meeting on a weekly basis to ensure the project is moving forward. The project must be completed by December 7th.

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Other Matters

The Board has received a letter from Jon Holden Adams, Esq. requesting the return of the escrow the project Gas Land Petroleum.

S/Flood references a letter he received regarding bog turtles on the rail trail. C/Doyle suggested that they consider the other design for \$1.1 and suggesting applying for consolidated funding.

S/Flood will call WSP Sells.

S/Flood and C/Hitselberger went to Stockbridge to look at the town hall. They have an open geothermal system that they are having issues with. The one that was presented to the Board last week is a closed system. They too suggested having a boiler backup system.

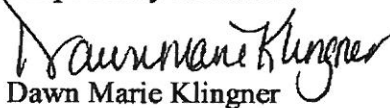
S/Flood motioned, seconded by S/Doyle
Motion to adjourn at 10:05am

The motion was duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Flood	Aye
Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
Councilwoman Hitselberger	Absent

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted:


Dawn Marie Klingner
Town Clerk

The foregoing represents unapproved minutes of the Town of Amenia Town Board from a meeting held on June 5, 2013 and are not to be construed as the final official minutes until so approved.

6-27-13 Approved as read on

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